



Leland J. "Freck" Shivelbine

April 18, 1926 - June 24, 2018

L.J. passed away peacefully with family at home Sunday, June 24, 2018. He was born April 18, 1926, in Cape Girardeau to William A. And Irene Pott Shivelbine.

Freck was a lifelong resident of Cape Girardeau and graduated from Cape Girardeau Central High School and Southeast Missouri State College. He served briefly in the Navy during WWII. He and Dorothy Janet Powles married Oct 23, 1949.

He and his brother, Bill, owned Shivelbine's Music Store since 1949. He semi-retired in 1996 but was still involved with the store until his passing. During his long life, music was always a wonderful source of enjoyment for him. He was proud to help provide music education to countless beginning band students.

L.J. loved Cape and was active in the community, volunteering with The Arts Council and Old Town Cape and was founding father of the River Heritage Mural Association, Meals-On-Wheels, elder and deacon of First Presbyterian Church and a member of the Cape Municipal Band. He was a member of the Noon Lions Club since 1950, holding numerous offices including president in 1963-1964. Through his countless volunteer hours he received several awards: 2001 Cape Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year, 1998 Otto Dingeldein Award, 2018 Charles L. Hudson Visionary Award, Melvin Jones Award from the Lions Club and many others. As he said

at the end of his Hudson Award acceptance speech, ³God Bless Cape Girardeau; it is a wonderful town!²

He loved spending time with family and friends fishing in the boundary waters or local ponds. Another favorite was playing many hands of bridge, gin and our family favorite, crazy eights. His best time was spent at the cabin, telling stories that made us all smile. He also loved catching up with local band directors and throwing parties. He truly was a fun-loving family man.

He is survived by three sons and one daughter, Mike (Kathy), Scott and Greg Shivelbine all of Cape Girardeau, and daughter, Laurie (Bob) Bret of Dallas; five grandchildren Matt (Jenna) Shivelbine of Kirkwood, Missouri, Beth (Dave) Winkler of Maryland Heights, Missouri, and Erin, Allison and Megan Bret of Dallas; and four great-grandchildren, Olin and Emrik Shivelbine and Noah and Ellie Winkler.

Preceding him in death were his mother and father, wife of 40 years and only sibling, William L. Shivelbine.

Friends will be welcomed to gather at a casual sharing of memories and a "celebration of life" from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at Celebrations Downtown.

Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at First Presbyterian Church.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to The Historical Association of Greater Cape Girardeau Inc., Noon Lions Foundation, First Presbyterian Church or Southeast Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Fairmount Cemetery

835 Caruthers
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Previous Events

Service

JUN 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
235 Broadway
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear family of my friend, Freck, I recently received an e-mail from my friend and former student, Scott Vangilder, informing me of Freck's passing. Betty and my hearts go out to you at this time and know that all of us who knew and called him our friend would agree with our feelings. Rejoice in the long and good life and all of his many accomplishments.
Doyle and Betty Dumas

Doyle Dumas - July 01, 2018 at 08:15 PM

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“ I loved Mr. Shivelbine and still have a large stack of sheet music he sold to me over the years.... I spent hours looking at everything until I found the right piece....He taught me so much about music as he did other youngsters... great memories of a very kind and generous man.

shirley lewis stoll - July 01, 2018 at 12:21 AM

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“ Mike, Scott, Laurie, and family,

I had the honor of knowing your dad. What a wonderful man he was! I know how much you will miss him. Please know that I am keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.



Susie O'Connell - June 27, 2018 at 05:17 PM



“ *Simply Happy Kalanchoe Plant was purchased for the family of Leland J. "Freck" Shivelbine.*



June 26, 2018 at 07:59 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Leland J. "Freck" Shivelbine.*



June 26, 2018 at 04:26 PM



“ *Lisa Huffstutler- Paragould Band Boosters purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Leland J. "Freck" Shivelbine.*



Lisa Huffstutler- Paragould Band Boosters - June 26, 2018 at 01:10 PM



“ *My condolences to the Family of Leland Shivelbine. he was a real anchor in the community and a fun guy to talk too. I would have liked to just listened to his stories, I can amazing they were some great. Ones. Again, my condolences and prayers to all the Shivelbine family.*

Bob Pollack - June 26, 2018 at 11:44 AM

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“ L.J. (Freck) was a very special person and it was a pleasure knowing him for many years. As people often say, "His smile alone could light up a room."

His family is also special and have made me feel welcome at many of their get togethers.....like I was part of the family too. All of them have my deepest sympathy and my two sons also send theirs.

Below is a favorite saying of mine regarding such sad occasions.

"Death is not extinguishing the light. It is turning out the lamp because the dawn has come." By: Tagori, a Bengali poet.

Sincerely,

Sue Vogelsanger

Sue Vogelsanger - June 25, 2018 at 05:07 PM